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METHOD OF IDENTIFYING ORGANISM BASED ON ITS GENOTYPE

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Sir:

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.56, 1.97, and 1.98, submitted herewith is the information listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 and, as appropriate, available copies of references listed are attached.

The references listed on the attached Form PTO 1449 disclose the method of the instant invention. The listed references are not available as prior art as their effective dates are later than the priority dates of the subject application.

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